



Teach to Preach

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Read Ezek 36:23-27; John 3:1-21; 1Pet 1:10-25; Titus 3:1-7; 1John 2:29-3:10

### 1. WHY IT IS NECESSARY TO BE BORN AGAIN John 3

i. Religious convictions not enough. v2 John 1:19 Was he there?  
Some people described as “dead”. Luke 9:60; 15:24; Eph 2:1-5.

ii. Human Nature totally inadequate. V4, 9-12. Can’t see.

Jesus uses first Illustration – Water, See Ezek 36:25 (Not Baptism)

See Titus 3:5 Washing of Regeneration

John 3:6 The flesh – fallen, corrupt, failed human nature. 1Cor 2:14

iii. Many things follow from us not being Born Again.

We are dead in sins Eph 2:1-2; We are children of wrath, Eph 2:3; We love darkness not light,  
John 3:19-20; Our hearts are hard as stone, Ezek 36:26; We don’t submit to God, Rom 8:7-8;  
Unable to accept Jesus as Lord, 1Cor 12:3; Are slaves to sin, Eph 2:1-2; No good thing dwells in  
us, Rom 7:18; Eph 2:12.

iv. Good things we don’t enjoy.

No saving faith, only condemnation, John 1:12; Eph 2:8-9;

No justification, only condemnation, Rom 8:1, 2Cor 5:21;

No Fruit of love, only fruit to death, Gal 5:19-23

Not children of God, only children of the devil, 1John 3:9-10

No eternal joy, only eternal misery with Satan, Matt 25:41

### 2. HOW THE NEW BIRTH COMES ABOUT

i. It is radically life-changing. v8-12 Nobody controls the wind.

ii. It is something only God can do for us. John 11 Lazarus raised.

iii. It is linked with the death and resurrection of Christ. v13

Another illustration – The serpent in the desert, Num 21:5-9 Faith.

Jesus is lifted up on the cross. Whoever believes.

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iv. It is linked with the Word of God. 1Pet 1:23; Eph 5:26; Imperishable.

v. It comes to us by God’s call. 1Pet 1:14-15; 1Cor 1:22-24; Rom 8:29-31.

### 3. WHAT THE NEW BIRTH DOES

In John’s first letter, those born of God:

Keep His commands, 1Jon 2:3-4; Walk as Christ, 2:5-6; love others, 2:9; 3:14; 4:7-8

Don’t love the world, 2:15; Confess the Son, 2:23; Practice righteousness, 2:29; Don’t

Make a practice of sinning, 3:9-10; 5:18; Possess the Spirit, 3:24; 4:13; Listen submissively

To the Apostolic word, 4:6; Believe that Jesus is the Christ, 5:1; Overcome the world, 5:4

### 4. HOW I CAN HELP OTHERS TO THE NEW BIRTH

Preach the Gospel. The power of God, Rom 1:16; 10:17;

Seek the Holy Spirit’s power, 1Thess 1:5; 1Cor 2:4;

Pray for your and other’s preaching, Eph 6:18-19.

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